

Minutes
Robinson Township Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting, December 12, 2018 at 7:30 pm
12010 120th Ave, Grand Haven, MI 39417

Present: Kuck, Hayward, Saddler, Berens, Vugteveen

Absent: None

Also Present: Attorney Bultje and nine members of the public

Hayward made a motion supported by Berens to approve the minutes of the November 14, 2018 Regular Board meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Hayward made a motion supported by Berens to approve the agenda with the addition of subdivision road resurfacing. Motion carried.

Opening remarks of the Supervisor. Supervisor Kuck gave updated information from the Road Commission, PFAS incident and Township hall building issues.

Commissioner Greg DeJong was absent.

Public comment: none

The board reviewed a recommendation from the Planning Commission for denial of a request for a zoning map amendment to rezone the property 70-08-12-300-034 & 70-08-12-300-020 from PUD RP reverting to A1 to RR by Jake Peterson, Ryan Richards and Gerald Feenstra at 10125 Osborn Street.

Berens made a motion supported by Vugteveen to deny the rezoning request for parcel nos. 70-08-12-300-034 and 70-08-12-300-020 based on the planning commission's analysis of the seven criteria for rezoning. Roll call vote was held: Berens: yes, Vugteveen: yes, Kuck: no, Hayward: no, Saddler: no. Motion failed

Hayward made a motion to send it back to the planning commission. Motion died.

It was clarified that once the golf course ceases to exist that the property is supposed to revert to A1. This does not happen automatically and would require a Public Hearing and and/or approval of the Board. The applicants stated, for the record, that the golf course will not be in operation in the Spring giving the Board the option to approve rezoning to either A1 or RR.

Kuck made a motion to rezone parcel nos. 70-08-12-300-034 and 70-08-12-300-020 to A1 based on the planning commission's findings for the seven criteria for rezoning. Motion died for lack of support.

Hayward made a motion to send the rezoning request back to the Planning Commission for their recommendation of whether A1 or RR would be the better rezoning choice due to the new information that the golf course will no longer be operating. Roll call vote was held with all members voting yes. Motion carried.

Kuck made a motion supported by Hayward to adopt the Solar Energy Collector Zoning Text Amendment Ordinance with a revision to Section 34.4 item (E) (1) changing the maximum height from six (6) feet to

ten (10) feet and to terminate the moratorium as of the effective date. Roll call vote was held with all members voting yes. Motion carried.

Kuck made a motion supported by Hayward to formally object to the transfer of property no. 70-08-32-400-014 from Ottawa County to Robinson Township and request that Ottawa County retain the property and direct the Supervisor to send a letter to Ottawa County affirming our objection. Roll call vote was held with all members voting yes. Motion carried.

Hayward made a motion supported by Vugteveen to table the discussion on road brining. Motion carried.

Kuck made a motion supported by Saddler to table the discussion on 2019 Dump Day. Motion carried.

Saddler made a motion supported by Berens to hire Morgan Michmerhuizen as a new firefighter on the condition that she pass her written test within one (1) year. Motion carried.

Vugteveen made a motion supported by Berens to renew the life insurance policy present plan for the fire department. Roll call vote was held with all members voting yes. Motion carried.

Vugteveen made a motion supported by Kuck to table the discussion on the Fire Department end of year wage adjustment. Motion carried.

Berens made a motion supported by Kuck to hire Shelley Witte for the front desk receptionist position at the pay rate of \$15.35/hr. with PTO at .03846. Roll call vote was held with all members voting yes. Start date will be the first of the year.

Kuck made a motion supported by Hayward to table the Marijuana Establishments Ordinance and to send the Marihuana Zoning Text Amendment Ordinance to the Planning Commission for review. Motion carried.

Vugteveen made a motion supported by Berens to table the discussion on the request from the Ottawa County Road Commission to pay for a portion of the resurfacing of roads in subdivisions. Motion carried.

Hayward made a motion supported by Vugteveen to pay the bills. Motion carried.


Hayward made a motion supported by Kuck to direct Attorney Bultje to prepare the summary of the Solar Energy Collector Zoning Text Amendment Ordinance for publication. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the maintenance position duties.

Discussion was held on an ongoing zoning violation. Consensus was to work with a volunteer group to assist with the cleanup or build a fence if possible.

Vugteveen made a motion supported by Hayward to adjourn at 10:06 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Christine Saddler

Robinson Township Clerk